Texas Youth Camp Advisory Committee Meeting Notes & Action Items

Purpose or Goal: Youth Camp Advisory Committee Meeting	Location: Department of State Health Services, Exchange Building, N 102, Austin, Texas
Meeting Date: 10/21/2014	Time: 9:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Attendees		
Beau Biron	Danny Dawdy	William Hinton
Committee Member	Committee Member	Committee Member
Timothy Huchton	Michelle Mauldin	Michael Minoia
Committee Member	Committee Member	DSHS
Courtney Hoffman	Robert Sedillo	Robert A Miller
Bob Oatman		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 by William Hinton.

There was a quorum present.

The committee minutes from September 25, 2013 were approved.

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) updates.

Mike Minoia gave an update on the 2014 Youth Camp Season:

- There were 565 youth camps licensed in 2014.
- 523 of those camps were inspected in 2014. Giving a 92.6% inspection rate.
- Only 42 camps were not inspected. Explanations were given for why some of the youth camps were not inspected, including late license application submission, camps that did not operate, camps not being on-site without notice, and short duration camps.
- 13 cases were given to the Enforcement Group. 2 were for operating without a license, and 11 were for various deficiencies, but those camps had not submitted the required Corrective Action Plan.
- An update was given concerning results from the Sunset Advisory Commission. The youth Camp Advisory Committee was recommended for continuation, but the Youth Camp Training Advisory Committee was recommended for deletion.

The Committee recommended that DSHS focus on inspecting one week long camps, but were pleased with the inspection rate.

Mike Minoia also gave a report on the new committee member status, which was on hold from upper management.

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The Committee elected new officers:

- Danny Dawdy was elected as Chairman.
- Michelle Mauldin was elected as Vice-Chairman.

The Committee discussed and recommended that DSHS consider adding overnight single sport camps to the General Charistics section of the rules.

Public comments:

• Courtney Hoffman discussed about during the legislative session 2 sessions ago, there was a bill that attempted to make weekend "camps" fall under the youth camp rules, but that bill never passed. She also discussed that operations falling into the grey area that did not currently fit into either youth camp licensing and child care licensing should at least be required to register with the State, and have some type of required training.

The next committee meeting was set for September 22, 2015 at the Exchange building in Austin beginning at 9:30 A.M.

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Meeting was adjourned	d at 10:42 A.M.	
Minutes approved:	Danny Dawdy, Chair, Presiding Officer	